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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM NEWYORK-HELSINKI CHARTER FLIGHT BLOCKED
BY ADVERSE CAB FINDING ABOUT FINNISH-AMERICAN SOCIETY

1. SUMMARY: PAN AM CHARTER FLIGHT TO HELSINKI JUNE 12
BLOCKED BY CAB DECISION THAT LEAGUE OF FINNISH-AMERICAN
SOCIETIES (LFAS) IS NOT "CHARTER-WORTHY". TWO LATER
PAN AM CHARTER FLIGHTS ALSO AFFECTED. EMBASSY CONCERNED
THAT EXTENSIVE CHARTER TRAVEL TO AND FROM US MAY BE
SERIOUSLY AFFECTED. END SUMMARY.

2. HELSINKI OFFICE PAN AM INFORMS US THAT US CAB HAS
REFUSED PAN AM PERMISSION FLY ABOUT 180 LFAS MEMBERS ON
ONE-WAY CHARTER NEW YORK TO HELSINKI JUNE 12. PERMISSION
FOR AUGUST NEW YORK-HELSINKI ONE-WAY CHARTER AND
DECEMBER NEW YORK-HELSINKI-NEW YORK TWO-WAY CHARTER
ALSO REFUSED. GROUND FOR REFUSAL, ACCORDING LOCAL
PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE, IS THAT CAB FINDS THAT LFAS
DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR AFFINITY GROUP CLASSIFICATION.
PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE DOES NOT KNOW WHETHER HELSINKI-
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NEW YORK-HELSINKI LFAS CHARTER MEMBERS WILL BE

AFFECTED.IT HAS ONE SUCH PLANNED IN DECEMBER.
ASSER LEPPANEN, HEAD OF HELSINKI PAN AM OFFICE AND
AIMO HUTTUNEN, SECRETARY GENERAL OF LFAS, PLAN TO
FLY TO NEW YORK JUNE 8 TO LEARN MORE ABOUT BASIS
FOR CAB DECISION AND TO ATTEMPT TO HAVE IT RECON-
SIDERED.

3. AS DEPARTMENT AND USIA AWARE, SUPPORT OF LONG-
ESTABLISHED LFAS AND ITS WORK IS MAJOR ELEMENT IN
USIS COUNTRY PROGRAM. ENCOURAGEMENT OF TRAVEL OF
FINNS TO US BY ORGANIZING CHARTER FLIGHTS IS ONE OF
MOST USEFUL ACTIVITIES OF LFAS BUT BY NO MEANS ONLY
ONE. WE FEEL THAT TRAVEL FROM AMERICA TO FINLAND ALSO
FOSTERS UNDERSTANDING AND LFAS CHARTERS HAVE DOUBTLESS
BEEN FACTOR IN INCREASING VOLUME OF SUCH TRAVEL. WE
STAND READY TO SUPPLY FULL INFORMATION ABOUT
HISTORY, ORGANIZATION, AND ACTIVITIES OF LFAS IF
NEEDED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST
INFORMATION ABOUT NATURE AND SCOPE OF CAB FINDING
ABOUT FINNISH-AMERICAN SOCIETY, PARTICULARLY
WHETHER CHARTER FLIGHTS ORIGINATING
FINLAND ALSO ENDANGERED. EMBASSY HOPES THAT REPORTED CAB
DECISION CAN BE REVERSED.
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